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REPORT OF POTASH PRODUCTION, INVENTORY, DISAPPEARANCE & SALES
BY U. S. PRODUCERS
JANUARY-MARCH QUARTER 1986 AND 1985

	PRODUCTION K_2O JAN-MAR		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O MAR 31		DISAPPEARANCE K_2O JAN-MAR	
	1986	1985	1986	1985	1986	1985
Standard Muriate	93,583	163,538	120,537	89,690	131,452	173,822
Chemical Muriate	3,400	5,808	4,461	1,577	2,193	7,035
Coarse Muriate	16,399	29,080	19,102	52,300	31,101	32,110
Granular Muriate	44,224	123,599	20,051	97,119	81,524	118,478
Soluble Muriate	2,334	15,771	6,395	6,679	6,034	14,111
Sulphates	62,906	68,688	85,269	88,225	71,717	74,648
Total	222,846	406,484	255,815	335,590	324,021	420,204

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O JAN-MAR				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O JAN-MAR				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG JAN-MAR	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1986	1985	1986	1985	1986	1985	1986	1985	1986	1985
Standard Muriate	19,497	41,079	64,942	104,725	28,995	24,036	971	2,406	114,405	172,246
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	2,148	6,688	16	348	2,164	7,036
Coarse Muriate	23,180	20,829	4,068	11,477	-	-	-	-	27,248	32,306
Granular Muriate	60,644	84,401	14,310	36,744	-	-	-	-	74,954	121,145
Soluble Muriate	1,853	4,374	-	-	1,598	9,710	-	-	3,451	14,084
Sulphates	45,641	54,039	25,876	19,794	954	698	-	-	72,471	74,531
Total	150,815	204,722	109,196	172,740	33,695	41,132	987	2,754	294,693	421,348

Note: Exports are listed on reverse side.

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POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K_2O)

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	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1986	1985	Change %	1986	1985	Change %	1986	1985	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,945,902	2,068,366	- 5.9	255,815	335,590	-23.8	2,201,717	2,403,956	- 8.4
(+) Production	740,390	723,106	+ 2.4	130,344	129,436	+ .7	870,734	852,542	+ 2.1
(-) Ending Inventory	1,643,607	1,990,081	-17.4	250,670	319,006	-21.4	1,894,277	2,309,087	-18.0
(=) Total Disappearance	1,042,685	801,391	+30.1	135,489	146,020	- 7.2	1,178,174	947,411	+24.4
(-) Exports	277,746	207,003	+34.2	53,608	36,434	+47.1	331,354	243,437	+36.1
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	764,939	594,388	+28.7	81,881	109,586	-25.3	846,820	703,974	+20.3

TEN MONTHS (JULY-APRIL OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1985-86	1984-85	Change %	1985-86	1984-85	Change %	1985-86	1984-85	Change %
Beginning Inventory	2,049,854	1,825,491	+12.3	300,800	305,561	- 1.6	2,350,654	2,131,052	+10.3
(+) Production	5,916,039	6,857,107	-13.7	980,935	1,350,695	-27.4	6,896,974	8,207,802	-16.0
(-) Ending Inventory	1,643,607	1,990,081	-17.4	250,670	319,006	-21.4	1,894,277	2,309,087	-18.0
(=) Total Disappearance	6,322,286	6,692,517	- 5.5	1,031,065	1,337,250	-22.9	7,353,351	8,029,767	- 8.4
(-) Exports	1,870,508	2,115,032	-11.6	442,590	487,847	- 9.3	2,313,098	2,602,879	-11.1
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	4,451,778	4,577,485	- 2.7	588,475	849,403	-30.7	5,040,253	5,426,888	- 7.1

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS
(1000 Short Tons K_2O)

Fertilizer Year	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
1985-86	2186	2077	2037	2205	2452	2304	2068	1998	2202	1894		
1984-85	2046	1563	1561	1895	2097	2050	2124	2211	2404	2309	2157	2362

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O APRIL 30				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1986 APR	1985	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1986	1985	1986 APR	1985
Spec. Std. Muriate	25,714	35,369	21,137	14,589	35,726	36,484	32,631	24,632
Standard Muriate	212,316	174,852	369,630	170,913	540,543	570,284	279,471	198,884
Chemical Muriate	3,875	6,909	7,511	229	7,740	7,937	6,074	13,194
Coarse Muriate	222,879	255,790	123,189	438,706	561,895	823,875	315,253	258,310
Granular Muriate	300,899	277,014	122,340	407,351	529,691	592,287	414,305	339,804
Soluble Muriate	81,863	79,780	32,466	104,525	136,991	191,506	103,674	88,248
Sulphates	23,188	22,828	57,345	24,346	81,691	86,714	26,766	24,339
Total	870,734	852,542	733,618	1,160,659	1,894,277	2,309,087	1,178,174	947,411

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985
Spec.Std.Muriate	-	-	32,473	4,669	-	-	-	-	32,473	4,669
Standard Muriate	36,775	56,337	239,052	184,363	8,480	11,790	270	487	284,577	252,977
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	6,132	7,965	371	50	6,503	8,015
Coarse Muriate	324,384	251,997	13,419	20,306	102	-	-	-	337,905	272,303
Granular Muriate	361,906	317,041	27,215	21,456	3,973	-	-	-	393,094	338,497
Soluble Muriate	91,010	74,506	6,555	8,779	7,837	16,862	4,297	2,551	109,699	102,698
Sulphates	19,382	22,766	7,702	776	307	321	-	-	27,391	23,863
Total	833,457	722,647	326,416	240,439	26,831	36,938	4,938	3,088	1,191,642	1,003,022

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	1986 APR	1985	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1986	1985	1986 APRIL	1985
Spec.Std.Muriate	25,714	35,369	21,137	14,589	35,726	36,484	32,631	24,632
Standard Muriate	165,457	136,623	251,161	167,079	418,240	460,007	234,378	181,242
Chemical Muriate	3,578	5,615	3,983	229	4,212	6,482	4,844	11,778
Coarse Muriate	208,614	241,875	112,173	438,706	550,879	780,785	292,902	235,185
Granular Muriate	259,293	229,236	99,711	406,375	506,086	519,990	376,253	267,204
Soluble Muriate	77,734	74,388	23,939	104,525	128,464	186,333	101,677	81,350
Total	740,390	723,106	512,104	1,131,503	1,643,607	1,990,081	1,042,685	801,391

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985	1986 APR	1985
Spec.Std.Muriate	-	-	32,473	4,669	-	-	-	-	32,473	4,669
Standard Muriate	30,960	46,030	201,149	169,676	1,109	6,548	-	-	233,218	222,254
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	4,657	6,549	162	50	4,819	6,599
Coarse Muriate	304,592	238,957	11,232	6,576	102	-	-	-	315,926	245,533
Granular Muriate	330,735	251,615	21,878	14,702	3,973	-	-	-	356,586	266,317
Soluble Muriate	89,547	71,710	6,555	8,779	7,304	12,768	4,297	2,551	107,703	95,808
Total	755,834	608,312	273,287	204,402	17,145	25,865	4,459	2,601	1,050,725	841,180